

concern of all residents who live in Kinston. Thus far, very little action has been taken by Kinston city officials to require developers of residential areas to reserve or dedicate land and/or facilities for recreational uses. Mini parks have not been a trend in Kinston; however, these parks would be of utmost value to those who would use them. Schools are well located in Kinston and with an agreement between the School Board and the Recreation Commission, school sites have been made more of a value to surrounding residents of schools. Many school sites are utilized year round for recreational programs.

In 1960, a cultural and convention center was recommended for development. This center has not come to be a reality as of this date. After an evaluation of recreational, cultural and entertainment facilities, it is reflected that there is no one facility where civic meetings, cultural activities or major entertainment could be held. Evaluation and discussion of this facility will be reflected in Section II of this report.

An industrial park was recommended in 1960, for the area outside the city limits between N. C. 55-11, northeast, and the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad. This area is approximately 31 acres, and has been identified as an industrial site by the Division of Commerce and Industry. Other manufacturing and trade and transportation uses have located and expanded in this area. Also, further northeast at the approximate location of N.C. 55-11 and Cunningham Road, a 129 acre site has been identified for industrial development. This area is similar to the area previously recommended in 1960; however, this site is not directly adjacent to